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Date: 11/26/2014 12:54:29 PM

Subject: Question on waste treatment exclusion and jurisdiction of adjacent wetlands.

# Hi all

We have been working with the Corps on a JD for wetlands at the Climax Molybdenum Mine near Leadville, CO. Climax wants to extend its waste pile now that it is ramping up operations again. Climax claims that its waste treatment system ditches to carry polluted water to a line that takes the water to a treatment plant and interceptors to carry clean water around the waste pile, including the surrounding wetlands, comprise a waste treatment system under the 402 permit and so the area they want to fill is exempted from 404. The Corps has requested our opinion on the waste treatment exclusion argument. (b) (5) (DP)

## Exemption 5 - Deliberative

Thanks and Happy Thanksgiving!

# Karen

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From: Perkins, Erin

Sent: Wednesday, November 26, 2014 7:52 AM

To: Hamilton, Karen

Subject: RE: Please articulate what we need the program to answer on climax

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Exemption 5 - Deliberative; Attorney Client

Thanks!

# Erin

From: Hamilton, Karen

Sent: Tuesday, November 25, 2014 2:47 PM

To: Perkins, Erin

Subject: Please articulate what we need the program to answer on climax

And I'll get it going.